

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 9TH DAY OF APRIL, 2012 AT 6:15 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	James D. Politis	-Chair
	William H. Brown	-Vice Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	Gary D. Creed	
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	Annette S. Perkins	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Assistant County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Brian Hamilton	-Economic Development Director
	Steve Sandy	-Planning Director
	Ruth L. Richey	-Public Information Officer
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary, Board of Supervisors

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

INTO CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following:

Section 2.2-3711 (5) Discussion Concerning a Prospective Business or Industry or the Expansion of an Existing Business or Industry Where No Previous Announcement Has Been Made of the Business or Industry's Interest in Locating or Expanding Its Facilities in the Community.

1. Project # 2012-008

- (1) Discussion, Consideration or Interviews of Prospective Candidates for Employment; Assignment, Appointment, Promotion, Performance, Demotion, Salaries, Disciplining or Resignation of Specific Officers, Appointees or Employees of Any Public Body

1. New River Community College Board
2. NRV Economic Development Alliance
3. Library Board

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Gary D. Creed	None
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
James D. Politis	

OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Closed Meeting to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Annette S. Perkins	None
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
James D. Politis	

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion conveying the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

VOTE

AYES

William H. Brown
Mary W. Biggs
Christopher A. Tuck
Matthew R. Gabriele
Gary D. Creed
Annette S. Perkins
James D. Politis

NAYS

None

ABSENT DURING VOTE

None

ABSENT DURING MEETING

None

INVOCATION

A moment of silence was led by the Chair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Todd Robertson addressed the Board commending the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. Recently, while attending church, his wife's purse was stolen from one of the Church's classrooms. The person who stole the purse immediately went on a shopping spree with Mrs. Robertson's bank credit card. After they reported it stolen, the person attempted to use the card several times. The Bank notified them of where the card was being used and the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office met them at the store's location. The person was apprehended after several days. Mr. Robertson wanted to commend Officer Alls and Chief Deputy Hall for all their efforts to make sure that this person was caught.

Loren Robertson also expressed her appreciation to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. Ms. Robertson stated it was her purse that was stolen and it felt like she was violated. She stated that the Sheriff's Office treated her with respect and went above the call of duty to help.

Jack Selcovitz expressed his concerns that the Board of Supervisors has not had much discussion regarding the FY 13 Budget. He was dismayed that at the last budget work session the Board did not talk about actual numbers but of personal stories. He believes there needs to be more in-depth discussions on the budget. Mr. Selcovitz asked questions regarding contributions to the Library system, that contributions from Blacksburg and Christiansburg are smaller than the County's contribution, sale of surplus school buses for \$5,000, type of insurance on county facilities, and the amount of insurance settlement received for the replacement of the Blacksburg High School gym and why the county did not pursue in getting more money.

Jim Wessel expressed concerns with the proposed increase in the real estate tax rate. Mr. Wessel stated more people are working for less money and will not be able to absorb the tax increase. He understands the need for additional revenue for school debt; however, he urged the Board to increase the real estate tax rate to the minimum amount possible.

Catherine Kincaid stated the Board has heard from numerous citizens who seem willing to pay more in real estate taxes. However, she believes the Board is not good stewards of the taxpayers' money. She believes that the Schools should not be given an unlimited amount of money and not be held accountable on how it is spent. Ms. Kincaid stated that the School Board is wasteful, such as the \$85,000 spent on a school redistricting study and the School Board approved only 129 students out of 9,500 to be relocated. She also believes that if Kipps Elementary School had been built larger for more students then maybe a new Prices Fork Elementary School would not have been needed. The new PFES is only at 37% capacity. Ms. Kincaid stated the County needs to get back to accountability. She asked the Board to increase the real estate tax rate by only 6 cents, not the advertised 12 cents.

John Harvey thanked the Board for their public service. Mr. Harvey stated that certain events are unforeseeable, such as the Blacksburg High School gymnasium roof collapse, but it had to be dealt with. He asked that the Board look for ways to save money across the board in order to help pay down the County's debt instead of increasing the real estate tax rate an adsorbent amount.

There being no further speakers, the public address was closed.

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. Department of Social Services PRIDE Position Request
2. FY 2013 Budget

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE

Christopher A. Tuck
Matthew R. Gabriele
Gary D. Creed
Annette S. Perkins
William H. Brown
Mary W. Biggs
James D. Politis

NAY

None

Department of Social Services PRIDE Position

The Assistant County Administrator provided the following report:

ISSUE: Department of Social Services (DSS) request for a Foster Care Home Recruitment position

BACKGROUND:

DSS requests that the County establish a position for their department whose role it would be to recruit PRIDE foster homes. This position has been funded through grant funds supporting a program which served the entire New River Valley. The grant required a local match which was paid by Montgomery County. The current amount is \$13,312. Although receiving the service, no other localities shared in the local match since the inception of the grant. The local match was previously a higher amount totaling \$19,758 which was paid by Montgomery County and not shared among the other jurisdictions served. A breakdown of children served by locality (data provided by DSS) is presented below:

2010				
				% Served
<u>FLOYD</u>				
2 CHILDREN PLACED IN 2 HOMES				3%
<u>GILES</u>				
19 CHILDREN PLACED IN 12 HOMES				25%
<u>MONTGOMERY</u>				
36 CHILDREN PLACED IN 21 HOMES				47%
<u>RADFORD</u>				
20 CHILDREN PLACED IN 13 HOMES				26%
# OF CHILDREN PLACED IN 2010= 77				100%

The reason Montgomery County DSS previously paid 100% of the grant local match is not known. In the upcoming year, the grant will be available, but the focus will be on finding adoptive homes rather than foster care homes. Due to the change, DSS has elected not to apply for the grant in the upcoming year.

DSS suggests that savings in CSA funds may occur from an investment of local dollars for a new position in DSS. The savings shown in the DSS exhibit (attached) lists a savings of \$99,672. In this example (assuming four cases move from TFC homes to PRIDE homes) savings in County dollars —excluding state and federal CSA dollars which cannot be used for the cost of a new position--would be \$28,247 or about 42% of the cost of this full time position.

This report presents the findings from an analysis of the “savings” returned on the investment of local funds in a new position for foster care home recruitment.

FINDINGS:

- The request to add one FTE to the Department of Social Services in the first year has been estimated to be approximately \$66,000. (\$41,439 in salary and \$24,146 in benefit costs.) As salary and/or benefits increase each year, the position cost will also increase. The cost of a position would be funded with 89% County dollars with limited federal monies (“pass-thru”) estimated at 11%. (These numbers do not include any of the recent changes for VRS or future costs.)
- If a \$66,000 per year position is funded with \$58,740 County dollars, nearly \$4,700 per month in County dollars would need to be “saved” to “break even” on costs –before any CSA savings would accrue.
- Using the January 2012 caseload of 10 PRIDE Homes and 27 Treatment Foster Care (TFC) homes, then between 6 and 7 placements would need to be transferred from TFC placements to PRIDE homes to generate the local dollars to cover the cost of the position.

- The net savings in County dollars per placement in transferring from a TFC to a PRIDE home could range from \$600-800 per month.
- PRIDE homes and TFC placements vary in costs depending on a number of factors. The tables below show examples of cost comparisons separating County dollars from state dollars.

MONTHLY COSTS			
	TFC	PRIDE	Net Saved
Ave monthly rate	5,000	2,250	
Less state dollars	(3,583)	(1,612)	
County Dollars	1,417	638	779
	TFC	PRIDE	
Ave monthly rate	3,625	1,550	
Less state dollars	(2,598)	(1,111)	
County Dollars	1,027	439	588
	TFC	PRIDE	
Ave monthly rate	2,637	550	
Less state dollars	(1,890)	(394)	
County Dollars	747	156	591

- Into the future, a ratio of 45%-50% of all new foster home placements would need placed in PRIDE homes instead of TFCs to generate the dollars needed to cover the cost of the position. For every 5 placements made-- at least 2-- would need to be in PRIDE homes as opposed to the TFCs for the position costs to be covered. For savings to result, an even higher percentage of PRIDE to TFC placements would be required.

CONCLUSIONS

1. To generate County dollars to recoup \$66,000 in costs for a full time social worker position from CSA dollars would require 6 to 7 placements to move from companies to PRIDE homes. As a result, unless 6-7 placements are moved to PRIDE homes, the County would be paying local dollars to save the state money.
2. The entry salary for a social worker position is \$33,428 or \$16.07 per hour. The local funds available in the DSS budget for a position totals \$13,321. Potential federal dollars available are \$1,682 for a total of \$14,994 in existing funds. By using these monies for a part-time wage position to supplement the foster care staff, it would add 20 hours per week at an entry level position for approximately 9 months including some dollars for operations. During this time, actual savings generated by the position can be documented and a decision on whether to extend the position based on the saving accrued.

FY 2013 Budget

The Assistant County Administrator provided an update on the County's FY 2013 budget. Last Thursday, April 5, 2012, during the State Budget Conference the State did agree on a budget. The County does not yet know the breakdown of additional funding allocated to Montgomery County in the state budget. State wide public education received an additional \$214.7 million over the FY 2012-2014 biennium and Health & Human Services received an additional \$44.7 million over the 2012-2014 biennium. Discussion with the MCPS staff is that the schools could receive somewhere between \$600,000 - \$800,000 additional dollars.

The Assistant County Administrator reported that since the last budget work session there has been a few changes to the advertised budget as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	
Add Sales Tax Revenue	\$112,000		
Add Delinquent Tax Revenue	\$177,000		
Southwest Va Brain Injury		\$800	
New River-Highlands RC&D		?	
VRS Changes-School		\$237,898	
VRS Changes-County		\$314,364	
Additional State Funding Schools	(not known at this time)		
Add Flex Cut Reduction	(not known at this time)		
Total	\$289,000	\$553,062	(264,062)

The New River Highlands Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) requested an additional \$3,000 over their current funding of \$700 from the County due to state funding cuts. If the Board desires to approve the request the additional amount can be added to the budget. Supervisor Tuck asked for more information on what the RC&D does.

Board members discussed the State's budget agreement and how it will impact the County. Several Board members asked if action on the County's budget and real estate tax rate could be moved from April 16 to April 23, 2012 since the County will not have any concrete numbers from the State on how much additional funding will be received. They believed they could have a better understanding when making their decision if they had this information.

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matthew R. Gabriele	None
Gary D. Creed	
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
James D. Politis	

R-FY-12-121
RESOLUTION CANCELING THE APRIL 16, 2012
SPECIAL MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby cancels its Special Meeting scheduled for April 16, 2012 in order to delay consideration on the Advertised Real Estate Tax Rate and Advertised FY 2013 Budget until more information is provided by the Commonwealth of Virginia on additional funding to the localities.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Gary D. Creed	None
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
James D. Politis	

ADD TO THE AGENDA – ADDENDUM

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously, the addendum dated April 9, 2012 was added to the agenda under New Business as follows:

Item C.	Resolution Approving the Purchase and Acceptance of Right-Of-Way and A Temporary Construction Easement from Loretta S. Corvin Associated with the New Auburn High School Construction Project.
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The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE

Mary W. Biggs
Christopher A. Tuck
Matthew R. Gabriele
Gary D. Creed
Annette S. Perkins
William H. Brown
James D. Politis

NAY

None

OLD BUSINESS

ORD-FY-12-15

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CONCEPT PLAN AND
PROFFER STATEMENT PREVIOUSLY APPROVED (ORD-FY-07-23)
FOR 17.927 ACRES ZONED RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY (RM-1)
LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF PEPPERS FERRY ROAD (RT 114)
ACROSS FROM BELVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE PRICES FORK
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT AND IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP PARCEL
NOS. 64-A-42 (ACCT # 017168) FOREST HILLS AT BELVIEW, LP**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs, and carried unanimously,

BE IT ORDAINED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that it hereby finds that the proposed rezoning, concept plan amendments and proffer amendments are in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan and meet the requirement for public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practice, and therefore approves the request to amend a concept plan and proffer statement previously approved on March 5, 2007 (ORD-FY-07-23) for 17.927 acres of land zoned Residential Multi-Family (RM-1) to allow single-family attached residential dwellings. This approval is made subject to the following proffered conditions:

1. The property proposed for RM-1 zoning will only be utilized for single-family attached residential use.
2. A maximum density of no more than 4.0 per acre will be permitted.
3. Property shall be developed in substantial conformance with the conceptual plan by Balzer and Associates, Inc. dated February 26, 2007.
4. Site shall be served by Montgomery County Public Service Authority public water and sanitary sewer.
5. An entrance permit from VDoT shall be obtained prior to issuance of building permits for this development.

6. A detailed site plan/subdivision plan in conformance with zoning ordinance requirements shall be submitted and approved by the zoning administrator and all other necessary local and state agencies prior to issuance of building permits for this development.
7. All pedestrian walking trails will be paved and have a width of five feet. At the time of approval and construction of a controlled crosswalk across Pepper's Ferry Road, Forest Hills at Belview will construct a 5' asphalt trail or sidewalk parallel to the emergency access road. This section of trail or sidewalk will connect to the trail system installed during the initial construction of the Forest Hills Development. Trail system shall conform to the Trail Master Plan by Balzer & Associates, Inc. dated March 16, 2012. Trail legend as shown on the Trail Master Plan is as follows: Red Trails are the trails to be removed from the original concept plan. Blue Trails are the trails and sidewalks to be constructed during the initial construction phase of the project. Green Trails are the trails or sidewalks to be constructed at the time of construction of the controlled Pepper's Ferry Road crosswalk.
8. A tot lot with playground equipment approximately 24' width x 16' length will be constructed within the active recreation area.
9. Stormwater management will be proposed on the west side of the property. The discharge rates will be designed as requested by the Montgomery County Engineer to 60% of the predevelopment 2-year and 10-year design storm runoff.
10. No individual trash receptacles shall be stored where visible from Peppers Ferry Road. Community dumpsters will be provided and screened on all four sides.
11. Buildings shall be in substantial conformance with the elevations submitted December 1, 2006.
12. The Forest Hills property management company shall maintain all grounds, including but not limited to grass areas, recreational areas, parking and paved areas, and stormwater management area.
13. Since a village plan has not been adopted by Montgomery County for Belview, the developer will pledge \$35,000.00, payable upon issuance of first building permit, for future improvements directly associated with the subject property determined during the development of the Belview Village Plan.
14. A 6' privacy fence will be installed along the east and west property lines north of the future right-of-way to the south edge of the remaining open space.
15. An emergency vehicle access drive will be designed along the eastern most pedestrian trail, to allow emergency vehicle circulation from the site to the emergency access road.

16. A 6' x 12' covered school bus shelter will be provided near the eastern property line of the development.
17. Road improvements and turn lanes will be designed per VDOT requirements.

The property is located north side of Peppers Ferry Road (SR 114) across from Belview Elementary School and is identified as Tax Parcel Nos. 64-A 42 (Acct # 017168) in the Prices Fork Magisterial District (District E). The property currently lies in an area designated as Village Expansion in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan and further described as Mixed Use and Medium Density Residential within the Belview Village Plan.

This application was commenced upon the application of Forest Hills at Belview, LP.
(Agent: Balzer & Associates, Inc.)

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

The vote on the forgoing ordinance was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Gary D. Creed	None
Annette S. Perkins	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
William H. Brown	
James D. Politis	

NEW BUSINESS

R-FY-12-118 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE AND ACCEPTANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, A DRAINAGE EASEMENT AND A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FROM EXPRESS MARKET, INC. ASSOCIATED WITH THE NEW AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The County needs to acquire additional right-of-way, a temporary construction easement and a drainage easement on Tax Map Parcels 119-(A)-68E and 68G owned by Express Market, Inc. for the new Auburn High School construction project; and

WHEREAS, In consideration of the sum of Six Thousand, Three Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$6,366.00) Express Market, Inc. has agreed to convey to the County 0.068 ac. of

additional right-of-way, a Twenty (20') Foot variable width Drainage Easement and a variable width Temporary Construction Easement on a portion of Tax Parcels 119-(A)-68E and 68 G; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to pay Express Market, Inc., Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$6,366.00) for the additional right-of-way, the variable width drainage easement and the variable width temporary construction easement and further agrees to authorize the Chair, James Politis, to accept the conveyances on behalf of the County of Montgomery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to pay Express Market, Inc., Six Thousand, Three Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$6,366.00) as consideration for the conveyance of 0.068 ac. of additional right-of-way, a Twenty (20') Foot variable width Drainage Easement and a variable width Temporary Construction Easement on a portion of Tax Parcels 119-(A)-68E and 68G for the new Auburn High School Construction Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to authorize the Chair, James Politis, to sign the Deed conveying the said property interests to the County for the sole purpose of accepting the conveyances on behalf of the County of Montgomery, Virginia.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Annette S. Perkins	None
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
William H. Brown	
Gary D. Creed	
James D. Politis	

R-FY-12-119
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE AND ACCEPTANCE
OF A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT
FROM EXPRESS MARKET, INC. ASSOCIATED WITH
THE NEW AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The County needs to acquire a temporary construction easement on Tax Map Parcel 119-(A)-75 owned by Express Market, Inc. for the new Auburn High School construction project; and

WHEREAS, In consideration of the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$624.00) Express Market, Inc. has agreed to convey to the County a Temporary Construction Easement on a portion of Tax Parcel 119-(A)-75; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to pay Express Market, Inc., Six Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$624.00) for the temporary construction easement and further agrees to authorize the Chair, James Politis, to accept the conveyance on behalf of the County of Montgomery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to pay Express Market, Inc., Six Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$624.00) as consideration for the conveyance of a Temporary Construction Easement on a portion of Tax Parcel 119-(A)-75 for the new Auburn High School Construction Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to authorize the Chair, James Politis, to sign the Deed conveying the said temporary construction easement to the County for the sole purpose of accepting the conveyance on behalf of the County of Montgomery, Virginia.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
William H. Brown	None
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
Annette S. Perkins	
James D. Politis	

R-FY-12-120
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE AND ACCEPTANCE
OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AND A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT
FROM LORETTA S. CORVIN ASSOCIATED WITH
THE NEW AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The County needs to acquire additional right-of-way and a temporary construction easement on Tax Map Parcel 129-(A)-68D owned by Loretta S. Corvin for the new Auburn High School construction project; and

WHEREAS, In consideration of the sum of Two Thousand Sixty-Nine Dollars (\$2,069.00) Loretta S. Corvin has agreed to convey to the County 0.025 ac. of additional right-

of-way and a variable width Temporary Construction Easement on a portion of Tax Parcel 129-(A)-68D; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to pay Loretta S. Corvin, Two Thousand Sixty-Nine Dollars (\$2,069.00) for the additional right-of-way and the variable width temporary construction easement and further agrees to authorize the Chair, James Politis, to accept the conveyances on behalf of the County of Montgomery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to pay Loretta S. Corvin, Two Thousand Sixty-Nine Dollars (\$2,069.00) as consideration for the conveyance of 0.025 ac. of additional right-of-way and a variable width Temporary Construction Easement on a portion of Tax Parcel 129-(A)-68D for the new Auburn High School Construction Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to authorize the Chair, James Politis, to sign the Deed conveying the said property interests to the County for the sole purpose of accepting the conveyances on behalf of the County of Montgomery, Virginia.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Mary W. Biggs	None
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
James D. Politis	

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The County Administrator reported that VDOT and the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute will be sponsoring a Smart Road open house on April 12, 2012.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Supervisor Biggs attended the School Board meeting. The School Board took action on the school redistricting study and voted to move students located in the Merrimac area from Kipps Elementary to Prices Fork Elementary. The School Board stated they will have to revisit the school redistricting when the new Blacksburg High School and new Auburn High School are built.

Supervisor Biggs also reported the last day of school for children in Montgomery County is May 25, 2012 and they will start back on August 14, 2012.

Supervisor Creed asked when the Schools have early release days do children have lunch before they go home. Supervisor Biggs replied that all children are provided lunch before they are released.

Supervisor Gabriele reported Susan Marmagas, who teaches in Virginia Tech's Public Health program, graduate students will be presenting their final presentation on their research on specific public health issues in the NRV related to Fracking, the Intermodal Yard, and Air Quality. The Board of Supervisors has been invited to attend those students' final presentations in order to hear the results of their research. The event will be Wed. April 18, 2012, 5:30-8pm, with a location to be announced closer to the date of the event.

Open Government – Closed Meeting Items Supervisor Gabriele suggested that the Board discuss vacancies for Boards & Commissions in open session instead of closed meeting. Discussion of the candidates can still be discussed in closed meeting. By consensus, the Board agreed to start discussing vacancies in open session and that discussion of candidates will still be discussed under closed meeting.

Supervisor Tuck reported he did a ride-along with the Christiansburg Rescue Squad during the 6 p.m. to 12:00 mid-night shift. The experience was very informative. He expressed his appreciation to all volunteers within the County who do so much for their community.

Supervisor Brown Citizens Academy for Business: Supervisor Brown had a citizen who asked if it was possible for the County to hold a citizens academy for businesses. Suggested topics were how to handle and recognize fake id's, how to handle bad checks, ABC sales, etc. This could be a joint effort with the two towns.

Supervisor Biggs reported that she has received inquiries as to when the School Board is going to start broadcasting their meetings. She believes it is a good idea.

Supervisor Gabriele replied that the School Board members did discuss broadcasting their meetings and a few of the members have reservations.

School Board member Phyllis Albritton asked to address the Board. Ms. Albritton stated that the School Board did discuss broadcasting the meetings as Supervisor Gabriele reported; however, the School Board was told that it would be too expensive. She asked the Board of Supervisors if they could provide her with the cost to the County to video their meetings.

Ruth Richey, PIO, stated that the County Public Information Office has offered to assist the School Board with videotaping the School Board meetings and the use of the County's equipment. The only foreseeable cost is personnel cost.

Supervisor Politis reported he received a letter from the Virginia Secretary of Transportation asking for support for the expansion of the Virginia port facility in Norfolk. He stated there were a few items in the proposed resolution he was not comfortable with. A copy of the letter will be distributed to the Board members to review and provide comments.

New Animal Shelter - Supervisor Politis stated he was looking at other possible sites for a new Animal Shelter. He stated there are a few lots in the Falling Branch Corporate Park that are not marketable and asked if it was feasible to construct a new shelter on one of these lots. He also stated that it might help stop commuters from the Mega Bus and SmartWay Bus, at the Falling Branch Park & Ride, from going to the Falling Branch Elementary School asking for information and use of the restroom facilities, if a public restroom was located in the Animal Shelter.

Industrial Hemp Farming Act – Supervisor Politis reported he and the Economic Development Director met with the Secretary of Commerce last Friday to discuss the Industrial Hemp Farming Act. He believes this meeting was productive. After the state budget process is over a meeting with the Commission of Public Policy will be scheduled and the Department of Agricultural will send information to the law enforcement agency as they will have to be included in the process.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Monday, April 23, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

APPROVED	ATTEST:
James D. Politis Chair	F. Craig Meadows County Administrator